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Senate Bill 519

By: Senators Hamrick of the 30th, Orrock of the 36th, Reed of the 35th and Shafer of the 48th

AS PASSED SENATE

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

- 1 To amend Code Section 44-14-162.2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
- 2 sales made under the power of sale, mailing or delivery of notice to debtor, and procedure,
- 3 so as to change the requirement for sending such notice; to provide an effective date; to
- 4 repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 SECTION 1.

- 7 Code Section 44-14-162.2 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to sales made
- 8 under the power of sale, mailing or delivery of notice to debtor, and procedure, is revised as
- 9 follows:

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- 10 "44-14-162.2.
- 11 (a) Notice of the initiation of proceedings to exercise a power of sale in a mortgage,
- security deed, or other lien contract shall be given to the debtor by the secured creditor no
- later than 15 days before the date of the proposed foreclosure 30 days and no sooner than
- 14 <u>60 days prior to the proposed foreclosure</u>. Such notice shall be in writing and shall be sent
- by registered or certified mail or statutory overnight delivery, return receipt requested, to
- 16 the property address or to such other address as the debtor may designate by written notice
- 17 to the secured creditor. The notice required by this Code section shall be deemed given on
- the official postmark day or day on which it is received for delivery by a commercial
- delivery firm.
- 20 (b) The notice required by subsection (a) of this Code section shall be given by mailing
- or delivering to the debtor a copy of the published legal advertisement or a copy of the
- notice of sale to be submitted to the publisher."
- 23 SECTION 2.
- 24 This Act shall become effective upon its approval by the Governor or upon its becoming law
- 25 without such approval.

SECTION 3.

2 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.